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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

Dear Glenn, Another goal has been achieved by your WOR no. 1200! Congratulations!!!! Good luck with the next 100 editions --- All the best, (Erik Koie, Denmark)

Right on! Regarding your vigilance toward organized religion, and its various abuses of the spectrum. Not many folks realize that organized religion has nothing to do with God! Thanks also for your distribution of my monthly e-ramblings; surely you're reaching everyone I've forgotten by doing so (GREG HARDISON, Sept 24)

** AFGHANISTAN [non]. RUSSIA [to AFG] 15615, APA R Amani, *1632-1730*, Fr Sep 12 and 19. Carrier was ready 1630, but audio delayed. Dari until 1702, then Pashto. ID's: "Radio Amani", political talks about Afghanistan and Taleban, mentioned the BBC and Deutsche Welle, Afghan folksongs, 1726-1727 statement in Russian and a Russian song, 1729 Pashto ID, musical interlude and cut off, 45444 (Vashek Korinek, RSA, and Anker Petersen, Denmark, DSWCI DX Window via BC-DX via DXLD)

AFGHANISTAN PEACE Organization brokered via Merlin MNO.
15615 1630-1730 Fri only, via Armavir-RUS, 100 kW 104 degr to AFG.
(wb, Sept 23)

Thanks to Top DX News, I tried R AMANI "Afghanistan Peace" on 15615 kHz and heard it with sign on at 1631 UT with very good reception. Close down exactly 1730 UT. Signal strength was even S9 +15 dB and transmitter site is Armavir, Russia. What is this station? Who knows more about its background? Is it one of the UN operations? However, enjoyable reception here in Turku.

ARMAVIR is an industrial city and transportation centre in the northern foothills of the Caucasus, south-central Russia, situated on the Kuban River, 160 km (100 miles) east of KRASNODAR; : pop.(1990) 162,000. It lies in a rich agricultural area near the Maykop oil fields. It has machine and tools plants. Thanks to the Oxford Dictionary of the World. 73½s (Jouko Huuskonen, Turku FINLAND, Sept 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANDAMAN ISLANDS [and non]. INDIA, 4760, AIR Port Blair, 21 Sept., 2339-2346, Possible ID by M "Akashvani...", into haunting Indian vocal music at 2341. M briefly again at 2346, then back to music. So this turned out to be Port Blair after all. Does indeed fade earlier than the other Indians. Heard IS at 2358 on 4790 Chennai. 4840 Mumbai already on at 2359 (Dave Valko, micro-DXpedition QTH, PA, 300' Beverage at 170 degrees Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. 6214.97, R. Balurate, 21 Sept 2309-0036 Sept 22, Program of LA Pop and Rock music I think called "455 Comunicaci n". At least that's what the young M announcer said during each short announcement between songs. Mentioned Puerto Argentino often. Also gave phone numbers in Puerto Argentino and Paraguay. Fairly good signal but didn't hear any formal ID. Not even at the ToH (Dave Valko, micro-DXpedition QTH, PA, 300' Beverage at 170 degrees Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. 2380 harmonic, LRA15/R. Nacional San Miguel, 0859-0905 Sept 24. Tuned here totally by accident and found this harmonic!!! Wanted 3280 Napo!! End of talk by M at tune-in, canned announcement

with music, time ticks right on ToH, then program intro by M "? de la Argentina, (letters) ? Argentina unidad". Somewhat readable (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. ARDS Seeking Urgent reports from Queensland:

Recent correspondence from the Station Manager at ARDS (5050 kHz) indicated that they were unhappy with the reports they were getting on their signal strength in the target area of Arnhem Land. There was talk of increasing the transmitter power to somewhere near 1 kW (currently 400 watts) during September, but he has now indicated that this will not happen in the short term, until they can rectify the problems with antenna directivity into the target area.

I sent a report of reception during the evening and early in the morning several days ago, stating that signal strength was weak, and interference from China in the later evening was severe. A further email reply from Dale Chesson, received last night says:

".....NO - our signal here in Nhulunbuy on the eastern edge of Arnhem Land is much the same as yours! It would seem our antenna are producing a beam that is at too low an angle to cover us effectively. We believe the Coral Sea is the place to be to hear our signal!

Anyway we'll keep working on it. Do you know of anyone on the coast anywhere north of Brisbane who may be able to listen for us?"

So, if any DXers located north of Brisbane can listen and send reports to Dale, he would be most appreciative. Email reports to:
dale@ards.com.au

Can you also keep me posted of reception in your area? I'm interested in following this up with Dale (Rob Wagner, Vic., 25 Sept., EDXP via DXLD)

Listening to ARDS on 5050 during our evenings from 0800 UT reveals much poorer reception in comparison to about a month ago; sunset is now much later and so is fade in times. Also, the Chinese station on the same frequency now fades in much earlier, in addition to this, thunderstorm static now seems to be the norm on the lower bands now providing loud static crashes. At best, ARDS is pushing S-9 when there is no static but China always seems to be there in the background until around 0930 then it seems to just about take over, when there is static then it is difficult to hear anything. During the mornings, I have tuned in from around 2100 but our sun is well and truly risen by then and most activity has faded on 60 metres (Mike Stevenson, Vic., Sept 26, Kenwood R-2000, Sangean ATS-909, 15 metre longwire, 17 metre longwire, bhi NES10-2 DSP speaker, EDXP via DXLD)

Reception here in Bunbury W.A. non-existent at the moment, of the 4 or 5 random times I've tried from 0800 to 1200 UT over the last week or so, the only signals audible is a strong Chinese station with always a female presenter, an RTTY signal that also seems to be right on 5050 and strange, strong SSB transmissions consisting of only 1 or 2 words every 20 to 30 seconds in a male voice ? (that seems even stranger now I tried to explain it in writing?) When I've got more time, I'll have a more concerted effort of trying to hear it; there should hopefully be a window for me to allow reception before the Chinese lady starts up and/or the RTTY kicks in. The RTTY appears continuous as I don't 'hear' the RYRYRYRY end part of the transmission (Wayne, Bunbury, Western Australia, YAESU FRG8800, FRT7700, SANGEAN ATS-803A, REALISTIC DX-440, 40 Meter Long-Wire with a Magnetic Balun, Sept 26, *ibid.*)

** AUSTRALIA [non]. Glenn, while walking with my Sony 7600G portable on Sept. 25 I was tuning around the 19 meter band and happened to hear Radio Australia in Chinese with a good signal (SIO 434) on 15435 at 1424 with English lessons, then ID and website URL; off at 1429. Per Eike Bierwirth's frequency list the transmission is relayed via the Merlin-Singapore site (Joe Hanlon in Mays Landing, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. /UZBEKISTAN: New schedule for Voice International in Hindi from Sep. 17:
0100-0400 on 11850 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg
0500-1100 on 13630 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg ex 0500-0800 on same freq
1100-1700 on 13635 DRW 250 kW / 303 deg
1400-1700 NF 9880 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg additional, but no \\ on 13635!!!! (Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** AUSTRIA. +sterreich One has short news bulletins in English and French daily at 0605 relayed on 6155 (Mike Barraclough, England, Oct World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** BELARUS` [non]. 7210, R. Belarus` (via Ukraine txer). English service opening 1930 Sept 23 (Bob Padula, Vic., EDXP via DXLD)

Really? NDXC says site is Kalodziscy, 27.48E, 53.57 N and TDP says it's in Belarus` at 27.47E 53.58N (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 3309.98, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Sep 24, 0823-0843, nice Andean vocals with announcer between songs in Vernacular, 0838 announcer with ID in passing over instrumental song "...Radio Mosoj Chaski, ?Cochabamba?, Bolivia." Strong signal with tremendous QRN but nice to hear some music from them at a decent level.

4600.30, (Presumed) Perla del Acre, Sep 22, 0937-0950, campo vocals,

no ID heard but I did recognize the announcer's voice. Weak signal (Mark Mohrmann, Coventry, VT, NRD 535D, V-Beam 140m @180 deg., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4650.33, R. Santa Ana, 0010-0030 Sept 22, Romantic music program hosted by M announcer, ID at 0010. Caught another ID at 0020 as "Santa Ana la radio". Played 5 songs in a row from 0021 to 0039. M again for another announcement, then back to music. A little better than normal. Glad to ID this (Dave Valko, micro-DXpedition QTH, PA, 300' Beverage at 170 degrees Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** CANADA. CBC RADIO ONE ACHIEVES HIGHEST WEEKDAY BBM RATING IN RECENT HISTORY

http://www3.cbc.ca/sections/newsitem_redux.asp?ID=3007

Radio One's Monday to Friday share of 7.2% is the network's highest rating for summer programming in at least the past decade, according to recently released Summer 2003 BBM ratings. Across the network, audience support was also strong with a combined share for CBC Radio One and Radio Two of 10.4%. Overall, these results are on par with last summer's results.

The BBM summer survey draws from central areas only but includes Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, and Vancouver. Within the 8 markets surveyed, the combined weekly reach of CBC Radio One and Radio Two was 1,752,600, or 14% of the population aged 12+, representing an increase of 1% over previous years.

Radio One

Radio One's total share this summer was 7.3%, consistent with last year's performance. Important share gains were made in several markets. Radio One in Ottawa gained one point among all persons (9%) and held steady within the Anglophone market (12%). In Calgary, Radio One enjoyed a gain of one point to reach 8%. After experiencing share losses in the summers of 2001 and 2002, CBC in Winnipeg rebounded to capture a share of 8% and is now on par with ratings for summer of 2000. Radio One maintained its shares in Montreal with 7% in the Anglophone market and 2% across all audiences. Toronto continues to hold onto its strong 6% share.

Local broadcast audience support remains strong. Local morning shows maintained an 11% share, with the Montreal (Anglophone), Winnipeg and Calgary morning shows capturing their highest shares in over a decade.

Radio Two

Radio Two's share demonstrated strong and constant performance at 3.1%. In the major markets measured, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto,

Edmonton and Vancouver maintained share from last summer.

The CBC mandate is to enlighten, connect and reflect Canadians. It is a meeting place for telling stories and engaging in debate. These results confirm that more and more Canadians recognize and value the unique and thoughtful programs that only CBC Radio can deliver (via Ricky Leong, QC, Sept 25, DXLD)

**** CANADA. RETHINKING CBC RADIO: A NAKED MEDIUM**

Watch out for CBC Radio's vice-president, says MICHAEL POSNER. Jane Chalmers is the most powerful woman in the corporation

By MICHAEL POSNER Saturday, September 27, 2003 - Page R5

When CBC President Robert Rabinovitch invited Jane Chalmers to lunch 14 months ago, she had no idea what was on his mind. Chalmers was then head of current affairs for network television and had only been in the post for a year -- a change seemed unlikely. "I tried to find out what it was about," she recalls. "But they wouldn't tell me." Over lunch -- at a discreet distance from the CBC's headquarters -- Rabinovitch offered her a major promotion, the job of vice-president of CBC Radio. "Why me?" she asked, at once stunned and honoured. FULL STORY:

<http://www.globeandmail.com/servlet/ArticleNews/TPStory/LAC/20030927/CBC27//?query=cbc> OR <http://tinyurl.com/ovjx>
(via Bill Doskoch, Toronto, CAJ-list via Ricky Leong, DXLD)

**** CANADA. NOT AMUSED**

TORONTO (CP) - An Ontario judge is seeking \$3 million in damages from Q107 morning show host John Derringer, the radio station and its owner, for falsely accusing him of being a "disgrace" to the justice system and society over the sentencing of a man who pleaded guilty to possession and distributing child pornography.

The lawsuit by Justice Richard Schneider, of the Ontario Court of Justice, is a rare case involving a judge and the media. "It's a very serious libel," said lawyer Julian Porter, who is representing Schneider. "It's improper for a judge to be attacked in this sort of way.

Derringer's talk ... was a libellous, untrue rant." In their statement of defence, the defendants say Derringer's remarks were meant "without actual malice and without gross negligence" and were part of a daily segment called Tool of the Day, featuring his comments on people "ranging from royalty to public officials to parliamentary dignitaries."

Derringer could not be reached for comment Wednesday. The statement of claim includes a transcript of Derringer's comments on May 29, the day after Schneider sentenced Yong Jun Kim to a conditional sentence of nine months house arrest and 200 hours community service after the 20-year-old pleaded guilty to possessing and distributing child pornography.

Also named in the suit is Corus Entertainment Inc., which owns an interest in Q107 Radio (Toronto Star Via Harry van Vugt, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, DXLD)

** CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC [non]. [previously under GERMANY]

HDL = Hirondeille

Today, Wed Sept 24th 1910-1925 UT, a long talk in French heard on the new 15545 kHz station, coming from Woofferton-UK at 1900-2000. Mentioned many times "... Committee". Signal is very thin in southern Germany, S=1-2 only. The main lobe is towards West Africa instead.

Hello Wolfgang, it helps to live near the target area; the signal here is pretty good. I'm sure that the programme is a relay of Radio Ndeke Luka from Bangui, Central African Republic (see p. 134 of WRTH). My French is non-existent, but I'm sure they announce both FM and SW frequencies. French alternates with vernaculars and it would seem that the transmission is intended for central African regions. The music also sounds like being from the central Africa. Audio got lost between 1934 and 1937 today. I stopped listening at 19h42.

There is a link to R. Ndeke Luka on <http://www.hirondeille.org> Maybe your French is better than mine, have a look. A pure speculation, but perhaps "HDL" is an abbreviation for the Fondation Hirondeille? Hope the above helps, and it was nice to hear from you! 73's, (Vashek Korinek-AFS, dswci Sept 25 via BC-DX via DXLD)

15545 Woofferton Sept 25, 1958-2000 UT HDL French / HCJB German

Listen to the short recording of 15545, today Sept 25, 1958-2000 UT HDL French / and additional HCJB Quito German crash start at 1959:10 UTC. 73 wb df5sx

R. Ndeke Luka in F/Vn

Hello, Wolfgang! This station was monitored today's evening 1906-1950, but I wasn't listening to them at the announced s/on & s/off times (1900-2000). 15545 kHz noted at 55544; program in both French and vernacular, station slogan after ID which I understood as

"Indekeluka", but it seems the correct form is as stated in your e-mail, i.e. Ndeke Luka. They announced 100.8 MHz in //.

Unstable & weaker QSA around 1950. I guess it was HCJB that took the air 2000 on this frequency. It does seem the content focuses the area of the country in question, but possibly others too... it's a question of listening to during more time. 73, (Carlos Gonçalves-POR, dswci Sept 25, via Wolfgang B,schel, DXLD)

Very strong signal in Alberta September 27th, news in French, High Life music and an English section 1947 with ``a radio station from North to South making it from Central African Republic -- FM makes the difference`` (Joe Talbot, Cumbre DX via Oct World DX Club Contact via DXLD) How ironic

Thanks for a nice tip, Edward Kusalik in Cumbre DX. I tuned to 15545 on 28 Sep at 1900 and found Radio Ndeke Luka with good signal. Program start was a bit late, but after some difficulties they got it started. French IDs mentioning FM 100.8 and SW 15545. According Edward this is via Woofferton, UK. Radio Ndeke Luka operates in Central African Republic and was once known as Radio MINURCA (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Frequency changes for China Radio International:

1130-1227 Thai NF 15260, ex 6140

1230-1327 Lao NF 15260, ex 6140

1330-1427 Thai NF 15260, ex 6140

1600-1657 Arabic NF 7130, ex 17580 ||||| via S.P 500 kW / 145 deg

1800-1827 Persian NF 7130, ex 15595 ||||| via S.P 500 kW / 145 deg

2200-2257 English NF 7175, ex 9880 ||||| via MSK 250 kW / 275 deg
(Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. Re 3-170, Colombia vs Ecuador on 5040

Thanks, Glen[n], for your comments. As I do not have a tape, it is hard to be absolutely certain. The anthem was definitely not from Venezuela, and as I had heard Colombia's many more times than the anthem from Ecuador, I thought Colombia, but could be wrong.

The programming was not religious in nature, and the music was near certainly more Colombian than Andean. Also the s/on was 1030 UT, vs. 100[0] UT.

No sign of any QRN from another station when I heard the religious La Voz del Upano from 0958-1025 UT. This is not an hour when I can usually listen, but I will try to monitor this when I can.

In all fairness and honesty, especially as no one else has logged it,

I would drop Radio Yopal back to a "tentative log." Thank you for pointing this out, and I will be more careful in the future.

You are a stickler for accuracy, and that is good for all of us in the hobby. Keep up the good work (Roger Chambers, NY, Sept 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO. (Rep.): 4765, Sept. 27, 1755-1827* fair signal with ID at 1800. Impossible to find out if //5985, too much QRM there. Had 4765 unID a few times with variable closedown +/- 1830 (Thorsten Hallmann, <http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist> Münster, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. Re log on 7435: Intriguing log of Lubumbashi. Used utt transmitters in the far past. Recall odd freq's being listed in the 1980 or 1981 WRTT (Bob Wilkner, FL, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. Faro del Caribe untraced on 5054v and 9644v for some time now in Sept. Anyone hearing them? I am getting a weak signal on 5054.6 in the evening, but too weak to tell if it is them or someone else (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

UNID, 5054.59, Spanish at 0200 Sept 27, but weak. Faro Caribe? (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. ...I have two local (that is, Costa Rica) examples to draw from, and both are shortwave stations. There is nothing special about that fact; shortwave stations simply happen to be the stations with which I have talked. In reality, an Internet-only station could use the same software for its work.

Back to the examples. First, right up the street from my house is what is supposed to be the world headquarters for Adventist World Radio. I put a slight disclaimer here because the sign on the street announces this, but I didn't discuss it with anyone at the station. In fact, I was at the station for an auction of radio equipment when the following discussion developed.

The person I talked to, one of the few that spoke any English, said the station was using a station automation package that runs on Microsoft Windows. He then went on to explain that the system wasn't reliable enough. That is, it would fail and someone would have to reboot a computer -- which pretty much defeats the purpose of station automation.

Of course, I bought up the idea of using Linux. To my surprise, he was familiar with Linux and said the station had tried loading it on one of its computers. His big concern, however, was that if the station

found a Linux-based solution it would have no support. That is, what if Linux failed? Or a possibly free software package? In his case, he was a one-year volunteer; even if he got up to speed on the solution, he would be gone within a year.

The second example is Radio for Peace International. RFPI is located about 20 km from where I live, but the back-haul to its Internet connectivity is supplied by a wireless link whose antenna is about 20 feet from me as I write this. I am much more familiar with RFPI's operation and expect it is typical of many stations.

RFPI downloads much of its program material from the Internet -- using a Linux system, of course. Rather than save the material on the computer, RFPI saves it on mini-disks. Broadcasts, then, are done with a live announcer filling in between pre-recorded material. The live broadcast also is recorded on tape for re-broadcast later in the day.

In the RFPI example, the only missing link to full automation is some software. That is, the program material already is in a form that could be saved on the computer, and that same computer certainly is capable of doing the editing to add the local content.

Why doesn't RFPI make this change? Simple -- it already has something that works. Making this change to full automation would require procedural changes and training. And, when the automation breaks, the station needs someone to bail it out. . .

<http://www.linuxjournal.com/article.php?sid=7168>

(from Helping Broadcast Radio with Linux, by Phil Hughes, via Jilly Dybka, DXLD)

** CUBA. 1900.00, Radio Reloj (harmonic 2 x 950), Sep 20, 0842-0930+, "RR" CW ID, weak talk, still there at 0930, good signal strength but tremendous QRN.

2140.00 (harmonic 2 x 1070) CMKS, Radio Trinchera Antimperialista, Guant·namo, Sep 20/22/24, 0814-0902, finally got the canned ID at 0900 over a three morning period. Over an instrumental version of "Guantanamera", the ID sounded like "Desde... provincia m·s ?musical? de... Trinchera Antimperialista. La...(?24? ?26?)... su pueblo." Consistently good signal strength every morning. Thanks to Bob Wilkner down in Florida for verifying the // 1070 (Mark Mohrmann, Coventry, VT, NRD 535D, V-Beam 140m @180 deg., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CZECH REPUBLIC. ESPERAR UNA RESPUESTA DE RADIO PRAGA: TODA UNA VIDA

Hace unos meses atr·s enviÈ una misiva a Radio Praga, en la cual criticaba algunas omisiones con respecto a un documental consagrado a los 80 a·os de la Radio Checa. En la carta reclamaba a Radio Praga la

"desaparición" (del documental) de la señal de intervalo "La izquierda a la vanguardia", cuyas notas identificaron a la radio checa al exterior por muchos años, y también la omisión de la fecha 1ero. de abril de 1990, día en el cual Radio Praga salió del aire abruptamente y sin explicación alguna. Luego nos enteramos de que la decisión obedecía a una "purga política" dentro del servicio de radiodifusión exterior.

Desde el 19 de mayo hasta los corrientes, aunque no se crea, no he recibido respuesta de Radio Praga, a pesar de haber enviado tres veces --- luego de esa primera vez --- la misma carta. Podría asumirse que la carta se "perdió" en el camino o se traspapeló, pero no. °La he mandado tres veces! Tal vez la leyeron al aire y yo no escuché el programa...pero no. No he dejado pasar por alto ninguno de los programas dedicados a los oyentes.

Conclusión: por lo visto, mi reclamo no le gustó mucho a alguien en Radio Praga. Esa es la única explicación que hallo para tanta desidia e indiferencia. Desde mayo hasta nuestros días han sido incapaces de responder a dos preguntas de un oyente. ¿Será que el argumento para haber ocultado parte de la historia de los 80 años de la Radio Checa, es tan inconsistente como su silencio para conmigo?

Amigos de Radio Praga, ustedes no pueden esperar sólo halagos de los auditores. Cuando hay equivocaciones, también deberían asumir con altura su error y hacer una autocrítica. Todos cometemos errores y la grandeza del ser humano está en reconocerlos y enmendarlos; el documental de los 80 años de la Radio Checa cercena (con o sin intención) por lo menos dos elementos muy importantes de la radiodifusión de dicho país europeo, en los últimos 50 años.

Ustedes critican bastante eso que erróneamente califican de "totalitarismo comunista", pero al igual que los estalinistas de esa oscura Época de la Europa del Este, ustedes "filtran" y dejan "pasar" sólo lo que les agrada. Para ser más precisos, lo que hubo detrás de la Cortina de Hierro durante esos años fue un "totalitarismo estalinista".

Ustedes, al igual que Vaclav Havel (quien también se apresura en calificativos imprecisos), saben que el hombre en esta etapa evolutiva jamás ha alcanzado el comunismo. Por consiguiente, lo que cayó en 1989 junto con el Muro de Berlín fue el ESTALINISMO. Este sencillo ejemplo muestra otra media verdad proveniente de sus micrófonos. Como organismo público de radiodifusión, cuya máxima función es deberse a sus oyentes, Radio Praga debería dar una respuesta a la presente misiva. Espero que esta vez el silencio no sea el denominador común. Un escucha impresionado de tanta indiferencia, (Adán González, Catia La Mar, Estado Vargas, VENEZUELA, cc to DXLD)

**** DEUTSCHES REICH [non]. LAWYER IN ZUNDEL DETENTION REVIEW LINKS HIM WITH OTHER HOLOCAUST-DENIERS [by] MARLENE HABIB**

TORONTO (CP) - Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel testified Tuesday he put \$10,000 towards the court costs of a fellow German who believed "Europe should cleanse itself racially."

Federal government lawyer Donald MacIntosh asked Zundel during his detention review hearing if he was a close associate of Ewald Althans, another Holocaust-denier who was convicted in a German court in 1995 of charges that included insulting the memory of the dead and insulting the state. Zundel is seeking freedom pending a review of a federal security certificate issued earlier this year that says he's a security risk. The certificate could send him back to Germany to face charges of suspicion of incitement of hatred.

Zundel, a publisher whose books include titles on Adolf Hitler, told MacIntosh that Althans was simply "a man who did things for me," including helping him sell his books and videos.

But Zundel also admitted he helped underwrite the cost of Althans' defence at his German trial. Zundel added that he had several "observers" report back to him in Toronto, where he was living at the time, about the goings-on in the court case.

MacIntosh pointed out that court documents quoted Althans as saying multiculturalism is "filthy" and "stinks" and that "Europe should cleanse itself racially."

Zundel also said he stopped associating with Althans after Althans agreed to act as a German government informant.

Zundel's first detention review was held in the spring after he was arrested in February in Canada and deemed a security risk. Now 64, the German native and former Toronto resident had been booted out of Tennessee because of U.S. immigration violations.

His review before Federal Court Judge Pierre Blais has been underway since May, and government lawyers at the hearings have repeatedly linked Zundel with other Holocaust-deniers.

MacIntosh questioned Zundel about what he knew about other members of far-right groups and individuals, including Aryan Nations leader Richard Butler, neo-Nazi Christian Worch and former Canadian Aryan Nations leader Terry Long.

Zundel admitted he interviewed Butler in 1983 or 1984, but could

recall little of the interview other than that "it became boring" after a point. He also said he communicated with Worch several times between 1989 and 1994.

"He helped me with legal papers" because he had some legal experience, Zundel said of Worch, who spent two years in prison for violating a ban on promoting Nazism.

At one point in the testimony, Zundel grew impatient with MacIntosh, who referred to descriptions of the men's activities in an Anti-Defamation League article.

"Sometimes I feel like a black man being convicted on Ku Klux Klan news clippings," Zundel said, describing the league, which documents and campaigns against anti-Semitism, as "a Jewish hate group."

MacIntosh said he was attempting to establish Zundel's relationship with the men and was "entitled to probe what those contacts are" to examine his credibility and potential as a flight risk.

One legal observer said the government is trying to convince Blais that Zundel shouldn't be released, pending a review of his status as a security risk, because he's maintaining ties with convicted and well-known white supremacists.

Outside the courtroom Tuesday, Anita Bromberg, in-house counsel for B'nai Brith Canada, accused Zundel's lawyer, Doug Christie, of stalling the hearings, and said Jewish people insulted by Zundel's beliefs that the Holocaust never happened are "tired of his games."

At the start of the review Tuesday, Blais refused to remove himself from the case despite allegations by Christie that he's biased against Zundel.

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Day testified that Zundel also needed medication to control his high blood pressure, and that the drug was giving him side-effects like a slow heart rate and memory loss.

"He needs exercise, fresh air, and freedom from stress," said Day. "The whole point is we need to have his high blood pressure controlled without the drug."

Under cross-examination, Day admitted that while examining Zundel on Monday, she didn't take his blood pressure herself and that she had to rely on charts by doctors at the detention centre to make her diagnosis.

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The hearing was to continue Wednesday.

The Canadian Press, 2003 09/23/2003 20:29 EST (AOL Canada News via Fred Waterer, DXLD)

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Christie has argued that Zundel's continued detention is harming his health.

Earlier this year, the hearing to determine whether Zundel should be out on bail while the government determines if he's a security risk was told the German citizen had a tumour on his chest.

Zundel is seeking freedom pending a review of a federal security certificate issued earlier this year that says he's a security risk. The certificate could send him back to Germany to face charges of suspicion of incitement of hatred.

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The Canadian Press, 2003 09/23/2003 11:48 EST (via Waterer, DXLD)

** DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Hi friends. A note is due to all of you who have helped me with information about radio in the DR. I have received many questions from eager friends who want to now about the book, and it is time to answer. I started the preparation of this book with the help of Teo Veras, one of the main broadcasters in this country. He wanted to prepare this book because of his enthusiasm in radio. So we agreed to work together as he is most always occupied with his work I also had the enthusiasm for radio but in a different way. As I did not have a job or an obligation to work I had time to do the research. And we started.

We began in the Archivo General de la Naci n (Dominican General Archives) where we started to check all newspapers printed in the country since 1924, when the U.S. troops abandoned our country after eight years of occupation. There have been many mistaken stories published about the real history of radio in the DR, and everybody repeated the same erroneous information. We became even more enthusiastic with our new and unknown findings which urged us to

continue. Teo had some friends in Santiago who found for him the early history of radio in the northern part of the country. And the book started to get thick.

I already had all about the beginning of electricity in the world with some short biographies of scientists working in the field and the beginning of radio and after. The time came when I finished all of my work plus the early history of radio in the DR. So according to my work I have finished my part, but Teo wants to add more information about the development of FM in our country. I told him that all this won't find space in the book or we have to leave the world history of radio out. Right now he is working very slowly, according as his work permits him, and I help him when he asks me.

I owe my thanks to friends in Sweden, the U.S. and a friend in Argentina, who found for me history of early radio in the countries around South America. Teo has bought a lot of books telling about the beginning of radio in most of Latin America. A reminder to all overseas friends: the book will be written all in Spanish as the intended public is in the DR. I still don't know how much will the shipping cost be but I presume it will be high due to the quantity of information, the size of the book, weight, quantity of pages, etc., but I will let you know when it is published and I hope it is soon, as I already wish to see it printed (C sar Obj o, Calle Enrique Henr quez 69, Ens. Lugo, Gazcue, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, Musings of the Members, NRC DX News Sept 29 via DXLD)

Teo Veras has a website about radio
http://www.teoveras.com.do/pagina_inicio.htm including this note:

Se encuentra en fase de preparaci n la obra sobre "Historia de las comunicaciones y la radio dominicana y de Latinoam rica"

Un trabajo cronol gico, profundo, objetivo, completo y serio, sobre los or genes y desarrollo de las comunicaciones en la Rep blica Dominicana comparada con los dem s pa ses latinoamericanos. Contribuya usted, aceptamos datos y fotos, si tiene algunos favor de comunicarse con nosotros al Tel. (809) 562-2231 o a teo.veras@codetel.net.do Se garantiza la menci n en la publicaci n de la fuente utilizada (via gh, DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 4781.32, Radio Oriental, Sep 22, 1010, Andean vocals, "Swiper" QRM, announcer with ID "...a travez de la... de Oriental... en Tena. Musical guapa... Oriental... la m s popular." Fair to good signal (Mark Mohrmann, Coventry, VT, NRD 535D, V-Beam 140m @180 deg., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 4781.33, Radio Oriental, Tena 1000-1105 blasting in with

musica andina. Tnx Mark Mohrmann. Too close to the previous log of Radio Tacana for comfort. Early fade pattern on CP log, could have been transmitter. If CP is there, should now be buried under the Radio Oriental signal. 24 Sept (Bob Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach FL, NRD-535, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EL SALVADOR. QSL: 17835, R. Imperial. Prepared card and long handwritten letter from Pastor Padre Mendoza in 48 days for follow-up. Mailed from Miami, FL. [My] first QSL from this country in 18 years! (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** ERITREA [non]. CLANDESTINE from ETHIOPIA to ERITREA, 6350, Voice of Peace and Democracy of Eritrea, 0310 Sept 26, open carrier. 0315 interval signal, good modulation, nice signal. ID mentioning "Democratri Eritray" in presumed Tigrinya and Kunamigna. // 5500. Long talk by man, then another man at 0327 with change in language. IDs and slogans at 0352 and back to open carrier. These transmissions are via the 10 kW Ethiopian transmitters at Mekele. (0357 retune heard with Voice of Tigray Revolution IS.) Via Javaradio Europe (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. 7110, Radio Ethiopia in presumed Amharic at 0340 Sept 26. Nice signal. // weaker 9704. Via Javaradio Europe (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** EUROPA ISLAND. It was announced this past week that the world's number 6th most wanted entity (Europe 10th and U.S 6th), Europa Island (IOTA AF-009) would be active between November 22nd and December 5th. A team of eight French military operators also plan to operate in the CQ World-Wide CW DX Contest during the last weekend of November. They report that it was a difficult project to secure permission to go to this rare island, however thanks to the persistence of Didier, F50GL, and his team, they did receive the ``OK`` from the general headquarters to go. The team hopes to have three stations active on 160-6 meters on CW, SSB and the digital modes. The team members for this operation include: Didier/F50GL, Dany/F5CW, Eric/F5JJK, Stephane/F5KIN, Freddy/F5IRO, David/F0CRS, Chris/TU5AX and possibly another operator. The callsign will not be Announced until the operation begins. QSL cards will be handled by F50GL and may be sent via the bureau or direct to: Didier Senmartin, P.O. Box 7, 53320 Loiron, France. ADDED NOTE: It was also announced: ``Be aware of the possibility that the operation could be cancelled if the international situation were to unfold, as these operators would have to all go on active duty because of their military jobs`` (KB8NW/OPDX September 29/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, DXLD)

** FIJI. FIJI BROADCASTERS COMPETE FOR GOVERNMENT CONTRACT

MELBOURNE, Australia (Radio Australia, Sept. 24) - Fiji's commercial broadcasters have been told they'll have to demonstrate an ability to provide national coverage reaching the entire rural population if they want to win the government contract for public service broadcasts.

Fiji Broadcasting Corporation, which has the current contract, faces competition for the new contract which begins in January.

The Fiji Government has invited tenders for the new three-year Public Service Broadcast contract.

In its latest newsletter, Infonet - Fiji's Information Ministry - says candidates are expected to demonstrate a high standard of professional broadcasting and the ability to provide national coverage reaching the entire population.

The Ministry says the successful contractor will be obligated to provide national development and leadership programs and also focus on cultural heritage, reconciliation, social and community obligations and emergency services.

September 24, 2003 Radio Australia: <http://www.abc.net.au/ra>

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http://www.abc.net.au/ra/newstories/RANewsStories_952277.htm
(via Jilly Dybka, Sept 24, DXLD)

** FRANCE. Glenn, here's the note George Poppin sent to Daniel Bouchent of TDF, who is retiring from his post of overseeing frequency management of Radio France Internationale, along with his rôle with TDF's shortwave transmission facilities (Issoudon, MontsinÈry, etc.). (Joe Hanlon in Mays Landing, NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Daniel, What surprising news to hear that all of a sudden you are going to be leaving us on 1 October --- you are going to retire from TDF!! What an honor it has been for me to have been associated with your office since August 1985...just about eighteen years. Thank you for having the confidence in my technical monitoring for TDF. I have learned a lot in those eighteen years. Since hearing your English news broadcast in 1985 until your discontinuance of broadcasts to North America I have received and replied to approximately five to six

hundred letters of RFI listeners each year. I would say six hundred replies was the maximum in one year. I have the names and addresses of each RFI listener who asked for your radio frequencies in my outgoing mail log as a reference. Sorry to say today there is only a trickle of letters from RFI listeners compared to yesteryear. Wie schade, as the Germans say, for France whom I admire so much in their historical past, from Bonaparte in Europe to Lafayette in America.

Your distinguished service to France in the field of radio is deserving of a medal of honor from France...who else has contributed so much of their personal devotion and dedicated service to their nation in the field of radio? My wife Dottie, whose ancestors come from Mulhouse, and I an 85 year old first generation American Russian salute you, dear Daniel. We hope that your retirement years will be happy, healthy and comfortable. Do not forget to drop us a line occasionally. With kind regards, Most sincerely, George J. and Dottie Poppin in San Francisco (via Joe Hanlon, DXLD)

** GERMANY. DTK T-System change: Evangeliumsradio Hamburg: 1730-1800 6015 JUL 100 kW / non-dir Tue/Wed to CeEu German ||||| cancelled (Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD) see also DEUTSCHES REICH [non]

** GERMANY [and non]. Kiel-Kronshagen, the 612 kHz site:

<http://www.senderfotos.de/images/schleswigholstein/kronshagen1.jpg>
<http://www.senderfotos.de/images/schleswigholstein/kronshagen2.jpg>

The mediumwave antenna can be easily distinguished from the FM/TV masts with no insulators in the guys. See <http://209.68.42.62/sender/>

153_spektrum: Note the utility station of German weather service on 147, this signal always leaked through when listening to DLF decades ago when it was on 151, running USB plus carrier in order to protect the utility station.

25740: This could be the low power transmitter operated for demonstration purposes during the IFA fair at Berlin-Britz on this frequency.

flevo3: A Telefunken S4001 (100 kW), the same model than installed at Jülich and Berlin-Britz. So this is the Flevo backup unit, used for their DRM tests. The DRM equipment is courtesy of T-Systems, anyway employed by Nozema to take care of maintenance, spare parts supply etc.

putbus: The 51 metres tall standard antenna at Putbus.

s50: What's this? The transmitter could be a Marconi; Rampisham?

wertachtal2: The old transmitters from the seventies, now to be replaced by RIZ (Croatia) equipment (Kai Ludwig, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Whose site is this with all the photos?

** GERMANY. SPECIAL EVENT. Ric, DL2VFR, informs OPDX that during the month of October look for a special DOK (SDOK) callsign that was issued to the ``Klubstation des Ortsverbandes``, DL0KWH. The SDOK callsign is ``80VOX`` and celebrates the 80th anniversary of starting a regular radio broadcast service in Germany. The program was produced in the historical ``VOX-Haus`` in Berlin and transferred to the transmitting station in Konigs Wusterhausen where it hit the waves worldwide. The club station DL0KWH is situated in the area of the old transmitting site (it will be shown on the QSL card). The club station plans to be busy giving out the SDOK callsign between October 1-31st on all bands and modes. The SDOK callsign is good for The DARC's ``DLD Award``. Additionally, there is an award called ``Sender Konigs Wusterhausen`` and it also counts for this club activity. The club station's Web page is at:
<http://www.qsl.net/dl0kwh> (KB8NW/OPDX September 29/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, DXLD)

** GUATEMALA. 4052.47, R. Verdad, 0045* 22 Sept., Just as I tuned in, heard instrumental religious music and the signal went off in mid-song!!! Nice clear signal too!! Oh well (Dave Valko, micro-DXpedition QTH, PA, 300' Beverage at 170 degrees Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD) Earlier sign-off Sunday eves?

** GUATEMALA. R. Cultural untraced on 3300 and 5955 for some time now. Anyone hearing them? The latter frequency especially doesn't propagate too well to WY.

4780, R. Cultural Coat·n doesn't seem to be on in the evenings at all, just mornings (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** GUINEA-BISSAU. GUINEA-BISSAU POLICE RAID PRIVATE RADIO TO THWART SATIRICAL SHOW AIRING | Text of report by Portuguese news agency Lusa web site

Bissau, 28 September: Guinea-Bissau's private radio station, Bombolom FM, in Bissau was today occupied by the police, with the announcer saying on radio that he could only explain what was happening later on. At the moment there are no details about the situation. Guinea-Bissau has been experiencing some tensions since the coup on 14 September that ousted President Kumba Yala. The police went to Radio Bombolom to prohibit the broadcast of a political-satirical programme and warn the radio authorities that it is necessary to ask the Military Committee for the Re-establishment of Constitutional and

Democratic Order for permission to air some programmes. Source: Lusa news agency web site, Lisbon, in Portuguese 28 Sep 03 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** GUYANA. 3290 kHz, Voice of Guyana, from 0833 in English with choral music, OM at 0840 with an Islamic meditation and male vocal, "Good morning, this is the Voice of Guyana the time is 4:45; subcontinental music; fair at that time; recheck at 0925 with ID repeated; still present but very weak at 0958. Also presumed between 0100-0200 on the 24th and 25th in English, but no intelligible ID heard either day, quite poor (Roger Chambers, Utica, NY, Drake SW 8 with whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HONDURAS. I have checked 3340 kHz the last couple of days. They are there, in fact, identifying as "La Voz de Misiones". Their former frequency of 5010 is not in use.

I finally heard a telephone number for R Misiones Sept 10, so I called. The operator was happy indeed, so he called the director, who in turn called me. I asked them to identify the station from time to time, even using canned IDs, and to give their address on the air, request reports, and give their telephone numbers on the air as many times as they could. After an hour they had received phone calls from all over the country, and couldn't cease sending "saludos" to yours truly thanking me for the report and suggestions. They also tweaked the audio a bit after my suggestion, so after 0200 UT on Sep. 11 (UT) their audio was louder and clearer.

The director of the station is Pastor Noe Raudales. He confirmed that 5010 is down due to a bad transmitter, as is 5890. They are now broadcasting through 1480 mediumwave and 3340 shortwave. Their shortwave outlet at 3340 is using 2.5 kW into a dipole antenna. Their schedule is 1200-0500 in Spanish, with occasional announcements in English during the night hours (after 00 UT). They use several canned ID's: "La Voz del Evangelio completo", "Radio Misiones, la radio que comunica Vida", "Llevando el Evangelio completo, Radio Misiones" And the operators ID as "La Voz de Misiones" or "Radio Misiones". They broadcast from Comayag,ela, sister city of the capital Tegucigalpa (when I visit there I often do not know whether I am in Tegucigalpa or Comayag,ela! hihi).

During the night hours (after 0100 UT) most of their music selections are by Honduran performers (Christian musicians, that is). According to Pastor Raudales, they have a stock of QSL cards ready and will confirm reception reports (which they are in awe of) to: Radio Misiones Internacionales, Attn: Pastor Noe Raudales, Apdo. Postal 20583, Comayag,ela, Honduras. Should someone want to call them, their studio telephone number is (+504) 238-4933. Pastor Raudales told me

they would very much appreciate reception reports from all over, and he was REALLY happy when I told him their signals were being heard abroad. I spoke to him a bit about DSWCI and the Dxing hobby. He said you all will be in his prayers. During the night hours they also identify in English as "HRMI" and "IMF World Missions" and give an address in San Bernardino, California, USA.

Future plans: 5010 back on air (probably) by the end of the week, and 5890 later before year-end. They would then be on air through 3340, 5010 and 5890. They will keep me informed of any changes, and I will in turn inform you (Elmer Escoto, Honduras, for DSWCI DX-Window, Sep 11 via DXLD)

** INDIA. 15075, *0415 Sept 22. All India Radio in presumed Gujarati to East Africa. Signal was quite weak but the very noticeable AIR IS was heard until sign-on, followed by male announcer. His voice was at about threshold level at best -- too weak to discern better details.

(I think recent world events, including blackouts, certain governments' censoring of the internet, increasing commercialization of the internet & now the Iraqi "government's" censoring of 2 Arab satellite news networks shows that shortwave remains the freest form of broadcasting, despite its technical limitations). (Ralph Famularo, Osaka, Japan, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA From the HQ of RRI, this is the new schedule of Voice of Indonesia as effective from Oct 1, 2003:

1 Arabic	1600-1700	15150	39SE; 39SW; 39NW
2 Spanish	1700-1800	15150	37NW
3 German	1800-1900	15150	27SE
4 French	1900-2000	15150	27SE
5 English	2000-2100	15150	27SE
	0200-0300	11785/9525	41NE; SE; NW; SW [ex 0100-0200]
	0800-0900	9525	49NE; 58NE; SE
6 Indonesian	0300-0400	11785/9525	54NE; 54NW
	1300-1400	9525	49NE; 54NW, 54NE
7 Malaysian	0900-1000	9525	54NW
8 Thai	1000-1030	9525	49SW; NW
9 Mandarin	1030-1130	9525	44NW; SW; NE; SE
10	[missing altho in time order maybe nothing else there]		
11 Japanese	1130-1200	9525	45SW; NW; NE
12 Korean	1200-1300	9525	Korea

(from: Lim Kwet Hian, Jakarta, Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. Voice of Indonesia reappeared on shortwave after a couple of weeks' absence on 22 September, including at 0030-0400 on 9525 and 15150 (ex-11785) kHz. 15150 is a poor choice at that time owing to Chinese jamming on the frequency.

Current RRI Jakarta domestic frequencies:

Pro-3 on 11860, 15125 kHz

Pro-4 on 9680 kHz

RRI Makassar was heard a couple of times on 6 and 7 August on 9552 kHz around 0200, but has since been silent on that frequency (Alan Davies, Bali, Sept 24, Cumbre DX via DXLD) Not Davis!

** INTERNATIONAL WATERS. I hope I am allowed to publicise a Yahoo group dedicated to Radio London I started on 18 September this year. "This list is for those who appreciate the superb offshore broadcaster which was off the English coast in the mid 1960s. It was for many the greatest radio station ever." RadioLondon266-subscribe@yahoogroups.com We now have 38 members, most I expect over a certain age! Thank you (Mike Terry, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. CLANDESTINE from ? to IRAN, 13800, R. International 1629 Sept 24, Merlin interval signal, 1630 Dire Straits theme and ID's by man and woman. No sign of any jamming. Via Javaradio/Europe.

9375, Voice of Southern Azerbaijan Listed as *1630, untraced via Javaradio/Europe. Off or new sked? (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

V. of South Azerbaijan R., Sep 22 *1531-1543, 23442, 1531 s/on with opening music. ID and opening announce. Talk and local music. (Hashimoto, Japan Premium via Iwata) Ah ha, that explains why I didn't hear them at *1630 (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

This one was confirmed by the station originating from Azerbaijan (that would be the G%nc% site). Target is the northern part of Iran which is populated mainly by ethnic Azeris and called "South Azerbaijan" by this group and in Azerbaijan (Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** IRAQ [non]. CLANDESTINE from ? to MIDDLE EAST. Voice of Ashur, 9155: tried for this at 1115 Sept 24 on a Javaradio in Europe and didn't hear a thing. Are they still active or has their schedule changed? I thought it was 0745-1200 on 9155. Also check at 1600 and found nothing. I tried the website Zowaa.com but it didn't load (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD) Later:

The website of <http://www.zowaa.org> still works, but I couldn't find anything recent on the radio broadcasts. zowaa.com just loads a blank page on my browser (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Sorry, yes - zowaa.com only loads a blank page, zowaa.org is under

reconstruction. On my browser it says: "Zowaa.org has taken a new face to web designing. Ishtar Web Development & Media Group UPGRADES zowaa.org in September." 73s, (Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, ibid.)

** IRAQ [non]. SAUDI ARABIA to IRAQ, 9563v, Voice of the Iraqi People
--- Informed sources in the Middle East tell Cumbre DX that this station is airing a pro Iraqi Governing Council agenda (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 23, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** IRAQ. SHUTTING OUT THE ENEMY

Iraq's US-backed Governing Council has moved to limit the operations of two Arab satellite TV stations, accusing them of encouraging terrorism and working against a new Iraqi democracy. The partial ban on al-Jazeera, based in Qatar, and al-Arabiya, based in Dubai, has met with condemnation from press freedom groups around the world. Radio Netherlands' Hans-Jaap Melissen is currently in Iraq, and interviewed Iraqi National Congress spokesman Entifadh Qanbar who says the situation had gotten out of hand. . .

<http://www.rnw.nl/hotspots/html/ira030924.html>

(Media Network newsletter Sept 25 via DXLD)

** IRELAND. Reflections Europe --- Per the station, here are the powers they are running and the antennas they are using:

3910 500 W Full wavelength dipole + reflector

6295 2 kW 1.5 wavelength colinear

12255 200 W 4 element directional East

(via Hans Johnson, Sep 29, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** IRELAND. Re 612v: I am doubtful about that 'tired sounding' Athlone Transmitter, being commissioned as recently as 1979, Although other correspondents seem to have more detailed knowledge. I still think its the old c. 1950 Athlone (566 kHz) Radio Eireann Transmitter. Some of your 'more mature' U.K/Irish Readers, will surely remember 'The Kennedys of Castleross'. Many Thanks (Ken Fletcher, UK, 2335UTC September 23rd 2003, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. Some changes for Kol Israel:

0300-2115 Arabic	12150 deleted		now on single freq 5915
0415-0430 French	9435, 15640		ex 0500-0515 on same freqs
1000-1010 French	15640, 17525, 17545		ex 1000-1015 on same freqs
1010-1020 English	15640, 17525, 17545		ex 1015-1030 on same freqs
1020-1030 Spanish	15640, 17525, 17545		new transmission
1000-1025 Yiddish	15655		cancelled
1025-1040 Ladino	15655		cancelled
1630-1700 Hebrew	15640, 17545		new transmission
1700-1715 English	15640, 17545		ex 1700-1705, re-ex 1630-1645 on same

1705-1710 French 15640, 17545 ||||| deleted
1710-1715 Spanish 15640, 17545 ||||| deleted
(Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** ITALY. I heard EMR [European Music Radio] this morning (Sunday [Sept 28]) at 0900 UT on 13840 kHz. They had previously said they would be on at 1000 UT but that time seems to be wrong as it was on at 0900 UT today. I presume this is being relayed via IRRS in Italy. 73s (Dave Kenny, UK, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** ITALY. 7306U, R. Europe is this outlet still active? If so, can anyone let me know when it is? It has been a while since I have heard this one and I'd like to give it another shot (Hans Johnson, WY, Sep 25, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Hello Hans, I noted this 500 watt station on Sunday mornings ONLY, in past 15 years, I guess. The station has a fine thin signal - technicalwise - in USB mode on exact frequency of course.

WRTH shows a 0600-1200v time slot. So for the NAm audience I would recommend to listen towards Europe on SUNDAYS at around 0600-0700 UT in deep winter November til February.

Regular reception of 7 MHz Italian stations - also in the 40 ham band - is not a problem at my location in southern Germany, only 800-900 km away. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, ibid.)

It's again on the air with more power from this weekend, on Saturday and Sunday morning, but irregularly (Roberto Scaglione <http://www.bclnews.it> Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Dear Hans, both informations from Wolfgang and Roberto are corrects. Being I am involved in Radio Europe on 7306 kHz USB mode, I am their QSL manager (reports please to Radio Europe, P.O. BOX 12, IT-20090 Limite, Italy). I also have a Dx-program called PLAYDX MUSIC with lot of Dx-talks and Dx-news, and not so much real music, but not at fixed schedule. Radio Europe is a real Pirate station and the owner Mr. Alex Bertini is more than 15 years doing this just for amusing, so he does only if he has time to do it, but usually it is on Saturday and Sunday. From September a new linear is utilized , power max is 1500 Watts, but usually it is around 700-800 Watts. The schedule is 0600-1200 UT, but it is not fixed. Naturally Hans we may be in touch for TESTS to your area for next coming period, at 2100-0600 UT, all it depends if the "bloody" Vatican Radio will continue to utilize 7305 kHz. Let see in coming 2-3 weeks. Good Dxs! (Dario Monferini, Milano, ibid.)

Hey, I've got an idea --- why not use some other frequency? (gh, DXLD)

** ITALY. 6060, Rai --- I always thought that this one just carried Rai 1, but when listening at 0200 Sept 25, I noticed that it was actually carrying the IV Canale with a jazz program (I paralleled with the live streams at the RAI website.) Does anyone have a good schedule of which domestic service(s) the SW outlets are carrying? (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Rai International doesn't relay regularly any domestic service since May 14, when Caltanissetta transmitter site closed down (Radio 1 and Radio 2 was daytime on 6060/9515 and 7175 with 5/25 kW); however, some programs are available (sometimes also live relay of Radio 2) in 0630-1300 slot on 9670 and 11800 from Roma Prato Smeraldo. It's possible Roma Prato Smeraldo will close at the end of the year, and no more SW transmission from Italy (...only IRRS) (Roberto Scaglione, Sicily, ibid.)

** JAPAN [non]. SHORTWAVE LISTENING DURING THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF CHINA

Larry Sitsky - Australian pianist, composer, musicologist and teacher - has been described as "one of the true elder statesmen of Australian music" by former opera singer Patrick Togher. ... Sitsky was born in the Chinese city of Tianjing, a metropolis which the major European powers had carved into various concessions. He grew up in the French concession and went to school in the English concession. Under the Japanese occupation of Tianjing, which lasted from 1937 until 1945 during the Sino-Japanese war, it was also a world of uncertainty, where personal liberties were limited and the movements of individuals were vetted closely. The military would regularly conduct house to house searches in the neighbourhood. "If someone knocked on the door and wanted to see what radio you have in the house, you had to let them in. The shortwave was sealed off with red wax. You couldn't turn the dial to certain stations around the world and if the seal was broken you were in trouble. They would ask to look at what books were on the shelf," he says...

<http://www.citynews.com.au/news/Article.asp?id=1544>

73 (via Kim Elliott, DXLD)

** JAPAN [non]. DX programs from overseas broadcasters

Japan Short Wave Club has begun broadcasts to offer DX-related information from overseas broadcasters as follows:

1. Adventist World Radio - "Wavescan"

A several minutes' segment is allocated to our club during the first Sunday (in principle) edition of the DX program of AWR "Wavescan".

For detailed broadcast schedule, visit the AWR website:
<http://www.awr.org/>

2. HCJB World Radio etc. - "DX Partyline"

And also a several minutes are given to us during the fourth Saturday (in principle) edition of the DX program of HCJB World Radio "DX Partyline."

Our DX segments are usually called "Far Eastern DX Report" or "Asian DX News". When you listen to them, please send your reception reports to the following address of our club's headquarters in Sendai. We will issue a verification card for correct reception reports. (Please enclose either 1 IRC or one dollar US bill.)

Mailing address of JSWC headquarters:
Japan Short Wave Club, P. O. Box 29, Sendai Central, 980-8691 JAPAN
FAX: +81-22-227-4194 / E-mail: jswchq@hotmail.com

Thank you very much for your kind attention. Source of information:
Toshimichi Ohtake, member of Japan Short Wave Club. Written by: Nobuya Kato, Member of JSWC / September 24 2003 (via John Wright, Australia, ripple via DXLD)

I heard the first edition on this week's DXPL. Many of the items dated back to August, so perhaps they wanted to get some important old news out of the way first. Several of the times given for DXPL on WWCR and WINB were also outdated, deleted. See our latest listings (gh, DXLD)

** KUWAIT. On 23 Sep at 2215 tune in I noted a station with continuous English pop music on 1575. Rather strong signal, coming possibly from east or south. VOA Thailand and R Asia were also heard at times under this station. Still audible at 2335. After some songs there was a male announcer in English, starting with what sounds like "105", then voice was cut and new song started. Any ideas? (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski Finland, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

This is probably the Kuwaiti that used to carry Radio Al-Mustaqbal, for several weeks now just playing continuous music at scheduled Al-Mustaqbal times, i.e. 1100-1400 & 2130-0030 UT. Same story on former Radio Tikrit/Radio Sumer frequency 1584 kHz - just continuous music in their 1900-2100 slot (Dave Kernick, Reading, UK, ibid.)

Yes Dave, I guess that is the "CIA" transmitter in Kuwait. Seems they play music recorded from some FM station (105?) and there are bits of original announcements audible. Thanks (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland, Sept 25, ibid.)

** LEBANON [non]. CLANDESTINE from CIS to LEBANON, 11645, Voice of Free Lebanon, untraced for their *1600 Sept 24 via a Javaradio in Europe. New sked, freq, or off? (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

Their website of <http://www.rpliban.org/> is no longer active. If off, it hasn't been too long as there were logs over the summer (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 26, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

The correct website (has daily audio files):
<http://www.tayyar.org/radio/RadioLoubnanAl7oriya/index.htm>
It's still in the TDP schedule ("Sawt Lubnan Al-Houriya"):
<http://www.airtime.be/schedule.html> (Bernd Trutenau, ibid.)

So is R. Togo Libre, gone for more than two sesquimonths (gh)

** MALAYSIA. RTM Sarawak --- The outlets at Kuching on 4895 and 7270 were noted in // at 1255 with singing and at 1300 Sept 24 with presumed National news. It seemed that Sibu on 6050 was also in // but that the audio kept dropping out and open carrier was heard.

5965, RTM Kuala Lumpur with National news at 1305 Sept 24 // 4895. Mixing with unID co-channel station (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 15295, 0802 Sept 21, V. of Malaysia in English with "World News" consisting mostly of economic items from East Asia and beyond. Signal was the perhaps the best I've ever heard on this frequency. Generally strong with a few moments dipping to "fair" levels. Caught a very clear, "You are listening to the Voice of Malaysia" ID (Ralph Famularo, Osaka, Japan, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Re: XERTA, I'm not hearing ANYTHING on 4810 either late in the evening or very early in the morning. Suppose they have a directional antenna? Thanks and best regards (BEN Loveless, MI, Sept 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Doubt it could be that direxional; perhaps it is back to irregular operation (gh, DXLD)

4810. 0930-1130 no sign of signal (Bob Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach FL, Sept 24, NRD-535, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4810, XERTA missing for a few days. I think we can all agree that this was hardly a new transmitter. I would guess that they had just repaired their old one (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 27, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. 5040.54, Radio Myanmar, 1100-1120, YL, minorities program, no longer // 4725 which seems silent. These two were parallel several months ago (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach FL, Sept 24, NRD-535, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NAMIBIA. 6060, NBC (Presumed), 1900 Sept 25 with news in English, then promos or ads "Worldwide news". Bad splatters from Europeans. Recheck at 2000, again with English news, now also parallel 6175 was audible. After news, English phone-in program in parallel on both frequencies (Jari Savolainen, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NICARAGUA. Unidentified station in Spanish on 9905 heard 0215 to 0242 September 25th, up beat dance music with few announcements. Adán Mur in Paraguay says that the University Station in Managua has recently commenced operations on 9905 with a power of 1 kW (Ed Kusalik, Canada, Cumbre DX via World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

How strange -- we had a report of this many months ago, but there was absolutely no confirmation, and much more recently Mur's R. América in Paraguay was supposedly on 9905 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER. 9705, Sept. 28, 2130-2158*, very strong, vernacular similar to Hausa and typical regional music (Thorsten Hallmann, Münster, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

<http://africa.coolfreepage.com/africalist>

** NIGERIA. 17800 heard regularly in Basingstoke around 0600 to past 1000 (Edwin Southwell, England, Oct World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** NORWAY [and non]. Amigos, Back somewhere around 1962 or so Dad bought me that ill-fated Hallicrafters S38E with which I learned to speak Spanish with a certain swagger & Cuban accent. One of the reasons I wanted the radio was to listen to Norwegian, which I was then (and still am) learning out of a book. Nowadays it's more like four or five books. The Norwegian shortwave broadcasts came out of a building on Bjørnstjerne Bjørnsonsgate in Oslo where Norsk Rikskringkasting had its offices and studios. I used to have a brochure about it.

Well, I learned today, while trying to figure out the reason for me having a Radio Denmark shortwave schedule & not having one for NRK, I discovered something that kinda put a perspective on things:

As of 31 December 2003, Norsk Rikskringkasting will cease all shortwave transmissions from their Svei and Kvitsøy transmitter sites. They already rent time to Radio Denmark, and the info I found on their web site says something like they're cutting back "the number

of shortwave transmissions to give more time to other broadcasters." I guess they rent time to other folks too . . . Radio Free Chechnya or something. [NOT that one, AFAIK --- gh]

Good thing I have the web now. Otherwise I'd have to listen to Radio Denmark from a Norwegian transmitter site. Or Radio Sweden from the CBC transmitter site up on the little peninsula [isthmus] that hooks Nova Scotia to New Brunswick. Sackville, NB. I toured that site once. The Canadian one. Very neat stuff. Lots of mosquitos.

I don't think it'll be the same, downloading the programs on my computer, even if I use Cindy's roadrunner machine. Something about the selective fading and the static crashes in the background, not to mention the polar flutter, just makes it more . . . romantic.

And what am I listening to now as I type this? T,rkiyenin sesi radyosu. Why? I like the music. Sometimes I can even make out the present progressive tense of a verb. When they read the news. Haber.

Maybe after I pick up my youngest from his first "date" (the high school "homecoming" dance) I'll put on the earphones and see if I can hear any weak signals coming through the RTTY on 40m. 73 (Nils R. Bull Young -- W8IJN -- La Estancia de los Guajolotes Sonrientes -- <http://w8ijn.tripod.com> -- <http://members.fortunecity.com/nilsbull> "If you can see this, thank a trilobite!" (via QRP-L reflector via Ed Tanton N4XY, swl @ qth.net via DXLD)

I have a different perspective on Norse Radio. I once asked them why they only broadcast in English once a week. Their reply was that they didn't think English wasn't a very important language to which I replied that if it weren't for English language speaking people they would all be speaking German and English language broadcasts would be the least of their problems. Never heard from them again (Bill Krause, Sept. 28, swl at qth.net via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. In case no one else noticed, KGYN-1210 Guymon was absent Sept 23-24, at least. I can be sure of this, since I spent that night in Guymon, drove right by the triple-towers east of town, and zilch. No tower lights either, tho it was not yet quite dark, and some higher tower in the distance was strobbing. Made several checks during the evening and next morning; phone went unanswered. After dark, in Guymon itself, some other stations were audible on 1210, dominated by one in Spanish. I was about to conclude Clear [sic] Channel had already turned KGYN off in preparation for moving the license to OKC (surely not much, if any of the old equipment). However, on Sun Sept 28 around 2200 UT as I was passing thru the Texas panhandle, within groundwave range, KGYN was back on with its own usual block of Spanish programming.

Public radio has finally come to the OK and TX panhandles (other than translators here and there), with KTOT 89.5 Spearman-Perryton TX, a satellite of KANZ-91.1 Garden City KS. On the car radio, range is roughly from Woodward to Boise City OK, and all along US 60 NE from Amarillo.

Still running in Amarillo are the two KANZ translators on 94.9 and 91.3, tho the latter (actually Washburn) is missing from the FM Atlas XIX map and state listings. The NWS TIS VHF relay is also still running on 1610 in Amarillo (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Call letter changes: 1640 KMKZ OK Enid, new call: KMMZ (AM Switch, NRC DX News Sept 29 via DXLD)

Hardly a surprise as this owner did musical-calls previously with 96.9, which for a while was KMMZ for ``Memories``. 1640 is not yet on the air but should be getting close. I keep an ear on it (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. Radio Oman B'03 Freq Schedule
(26 OCT, 2003 TO 28 MARCH, 2004) all entries are daily

FREQ	UTC STRT	UTC STOP	CIRAF ZONES	LOC	POWR	AZI	ANT	LANG
6085	0200	0400	39N,40W	SEB	100	320	141	Arabic
6085	2000	2200	39SW,48	SEB	100	240	146	Arabic
6190	1800	2000	39SW,48	SEB	100	240	146	Arabic
9515	0400	0600	39N,40W	SEB	100	320	141	Arabic
9760	2300	0200	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	Arabic
13640	0600	1400	39N,40W	SEB	100	320	141	Arabic
13640	2000	2200	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	Arabic
13725	1400	1800	48,53	THU	100	220	205	Arabic
13755	2200	2400	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	Arabic
15140	1400	1500	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	English
15140	1500	1800	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	Arabic
15355	0200	0300	48,53	THU	100	220	205	Arabic
15355	0300	0400	48,53	THU	100	220	205	English
15355	1800	2000	48,53	THU	100	220	205	Arabic
15375	1400	1800	39SW,48	SEB	100	240	146	Arabic
17590	0400	0600	48,53	THU	100	220	205	Arabic
17630	0600	1000	28,39N	THU	100	315	218	Arabic

Locations of txers : THU - Thumrait - 100 kw; SEB - Seeb - 100 kw
Regds, (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, India, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 21454.98, 0900 UT Sept 29. Radio Pakistan, Islamabad.

Pips, ID and News Bulletin followed at 0905 with local Music. Urdu. Not sure if this is a new frequency or they are on an incorrect frequency for today only. Will need to check again tomorrow (Graham Powell, Wales, Editor - Online DX Logbook <http://www.shortwave.org.uk> DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALESTINE [non]. La Voix de la R volution Islamique du Palestine sur 3955 kHz de 1930   2025 UT, SINPO 45444, le 17-09-2003. L'animateur annonce les adresses de la station qui sont partout dans le monde arabe, un exemple en Syrie: BP 9731, Damas, Syrie; t l phone 0098212014717, email: palestine@irib.com (Mohamed Kallel, KDXN, SFAX Tunisia, FGR-7700, DX LISTENING DIGEST) via IRAN

** PERU. 4485.62, Radio Frecuencia VH, Sep 24, 0929-1005, Andean vocals with announcer between songs. 0959 canned announcement with lots of reverb, back to announcer with live ID in passing "...en Radio Frecuencia V-H la...", only fair signal but much stronger than usual (Mark Mohrmann, Coventry, VT, NRD 535D, V-Beam 140m @180 deg., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. First above average conditions I've noted this season for 60 and 90 meter Latin American DX, this morning. There were several low power stations in with fairly good signals including: 4485.6, R Frecuencia, Celend n, 1022 Sep 24, I have not heard this one in a while. Very nice folk music, a joy to listen to. Reception was fair to good with grayline lining up fairly well between Celend n and Nashville. Good audio. ID mentioned by the announcer in passing at 1053, and canned with echo at 1100. Fade down shortly thereafter (David Hodgson, TN, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4835.41, Radio Mara on, Jaen, 1055 ID by OM, seemingly poor modulation. Tnx Bj rn Malm observation / correction (Bob Wilkner, P mpino Beach FL, Sept 24, NRD-535, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. Radio Onda Imperial reactivada! 5055.19 kHz, Radio Onda Imperial, Cusco, el 25 de Septiembre 2003 - 0135 UT. Para m  el primer contacto con Radio Onda Imperial. No tengo ning n conocimiento de esta emisora peruana. Alguien en la lista tiene alguna informaci n? En WRTH est  en la frecuencia de 5056 kHz. Una se al bastante d bil pero me entreg  una identificaci n cristalina y muy sorprendente: ``Radio Onda Imperial`` algunas veces cuando estuve escuchando un partido de f tbol. No estoy seguro pero pienso que uno de los dos equipos haya sido Colombia (el otro Per  o Chile?). Visite Radio Onda Imperial en esta p gina de web: <http://www.ondaimperial.pe.nu/> Escuche mi grabaci n en esta p gina web de SWB: <http://homepage.sverige.net/~a-0901/>

Emisora peruana reactivada! 5459.00 kHz Radio Panorama, Recopampa, el

24 de Septiembre 2003 ñ 0000 UT. La primera vez he notado esta emisora aquí en Quito pero se puede encontrarla en WRTH en 5907 kHz. Escuché su programación musical con inmenso placer, un programa conteniendo cumbia, música tropical y Cristian Castro. El título del programa era "Potencia Tropical". Fuerte QRM de Radio Bolívar en 5460.33 kHz. Escúche una grabación en esta página web de SWB:
<http://homepage.sverige.net/~a-0901/> 73s (Björn Malm, Quito, Ecuador - SWB América Latina, Sept 27, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. Frequency changes for FEBC effective August 17:

0900-1100 Indonesian NF 15175, ex 15095
1100-1145 Bengali NF 15305* ex 15095 ||||| * not 15035
1145-1530 Burmese NF 15305* ex 15095 ||||| * not 15035
2300-2345 Khmer NF 9855, ex 9860
2300-0100 Mandarin NF 12060, ex 11590 2200-2400
(Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** POLAND. SPECIAL EVENT. A team of SP4KSY club members will be active again as HF6500 to celebrate 650 years of Olsztyn City. The station will be active from October 1st to December 31st, on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via SQ4NR, bureau or direct to: Grzegorz Gaweł, ul. Herdera 16/14, 10-691 Olsztyn, POLAND. Their Web page is at:
<http://www.hf6500.prv.pl> (KB8NW/OPDX September 29/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, DXLD)

** POLAND. SPECIAL EVENT. The Polish club station, SP6KFA, will use special event callsign SR25JP to commemorate 25th anniversary of Pope John Paul II pontificate. Also, on October 16th, 1978, Cardinal Karol Wojtyła was elected as the Bishop of Rome. This October 16th, he will have completed 25 years of service. Look for SR25JP on all HF bands (CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY) between October 1-31st. ADDED NOTE: The prefix ``SR`` is a very rare prefix. QSL direct (using address on QRZ.com) or via the PZK bureau to SP6KFA. (KB8NW/OPDX September 29/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, DXLD)

** PORTUGAL. Besides UAE, q.v., more evidence that 13m is perking up again. Sept 29 after 2200 found a good signal in Portuguese Portuguese on 21540, holding up until fadedown around 2230. Was parallel to much weaker 21655, which must have a drastically different antenna azimuth. Unfortunately, it was a total waste of energy, coverage of some stupid ballgame, evidently vs. Holland (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Frequency changes for Voice of Russia:

1200-1300 Korean NF 12055, ex 7400
1400-1600 Persian NF 12035, ex 12015
1500-1600 Ru Common. NF 7130* ex 17580 ||||| *from Sep. 28
1600-1700 French NF 7310, ex 9480

1600-1700 French NF 12070, ex 9890
 1600-1900 Arabic NF 9470, ex 9710
 1700-1800 Italian NF 12070, ex 9470
 1700-1800 Arabic NF 7130* ex 15595 ||||| *from Sep. 28
 1800-1900 Arabic NF 5950, ex 5935
 1800-1900 Greek NF 11870, ex 12065
 1800-1900 French NF 7310, ex 7390
 1800-2000 French NF 12070, ex 9890
 1830-1900 Arabic NF 7130* ex 15595 ||||| *from Sep. 28
 (Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. Le 18-09-2003, l'Équivalent de 21 Rajab 1421, ‡ 0803 UT sur 21600 kHz avec un SINPO 53444, le service français de la radio de l'Arabie Saoudite annonce ces fréquences en ondes moyenne pour l'Arabie Saoudite: exemple 1422 KHz pour la région de Riyad, son site Internet: <http://www.saudiradio.com> et les Émissions du jour serrant: la lecture du Cor'an, traduction du Cor'an, info flash, la femme dans l'Islam, l'info et la revue de la presse, le monde des enfants, chansons, l'arabe par la radio, Éducation islamique, bienvenue dans le Golf et clémence dans l'Islam (Mohamed Kallel, KDXN, SFAX Tunisia, FGR-7700, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA [non]. CLANDESTINE from NORWAY to SAUDI ARABIA, 15705, MIRA --- A Sa'udi who had called in to this station and gave his name and address over the air has been arrested in Saudi Arabia. The story seems to indicate that he also made anti-Saudi government statements over the station. This per an AP story (Hans Johnson, WY, Sept 24, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** SOMALIA. Just received e-mail QSL from Sam Voron for my 22 Sep report of R Galkayo, Somalia on 7335. Yesterday, 23 Sep I couldn't trace the station at all 1600-1800 and Sam gave explanation for that: "Yesterday our city power only worked in some areas, not ours, so we used our generator which means we cannot use our amplifier so we only used 100 Watts last night." (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland, Sept 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. Deleted frequencies for Channel Africa:
 0300-0330 English DEL 3230, now on 6035 only
 0300-0325 Swahili DEL 3965, now on 6160 only
 0330-0355 French DEL 3230, now on 6035 only
 (Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 3320 kHz, SABC outlet (presumed) from 0105 UT, in Afrikaans with YL talk, EZL music (a program theme?) at 0107, then an interview program with several male / female speakers and phone calls over the next hour; initially SINPO 32232 with severe RTTY which abruptly disappeared at 0113 UT. Peaked with SINPO 42333 about 0140,

on past 0205 tune-out, no ID heard. September 25 (Roger Chambers, Utica, NY, Drake SW 8 with whip antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. Spurious signals of Radio Exterior de España in Spanish from fundamental 11890: 0500-0655 on 12250/12160/12070/11980 and 11800/11710/11620/11530 (Observer, Bulgaria, Sept 26 via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 9770, SLBC, R. Sri Lanka, *1230-1243, Sept. 26, English, Transmitter tones, s/on with IS, pips (4+1), announcer with ID and sign-on announcements, then US pops by Santana, Elton John and 3 Dog Night, talks at 1243 but signal had faded substantially by then. Weak but audible, good music/poor vox audio. Very pleased to log this station, tried all last winter to no avail! (Scott Barbour, NH, DX LISTENING DIGEST))

** SUDAN [non]. CLANDESTINE from ERITREA to SUDAN, 7999.3, Voice of Sudan, 1542 Sept 25 with Arabic talks and local music. Couple of IDs that sound like "Sawt al Shaab al Sudan". Off at 1556 (Jari Savolainen, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. UNITED KINGDOM, 17630, Sudan Radio Service has started regular programming. 1640 Sept 23 with music and then multiple language IDs at 1645. Short program at 1647 in what I guess was Juba Arabic. I didn't understand much of it but it seemed to be talking about human rights. The music alone is worth tuning in to and I find myself listening to these guys a few times a week (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** SWEDEN. Radio Dellen on the air tonight --- Hello all! Special event station Radio Dellen, Delsbo, Sweden will go on the air at 2200 UT on Thursday, September 25. The frequency is 1602 kHz and we are running about 120 W. We will be on the air until 2200 UT on Sunday, September 29 [sic]. The transmissions are a part of the celebration of Delsbo Radio Club's 30th anniversary. Further details on <http://www.rock.x.se/radiodellen.htm> Good DX! (Ronny Forslund / The Radio Dellen Team, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

I'm a pretty happy man. I just managed after several attempts to hear R DELLEN from Delsbo on 1602 kHz, 2145 UT. Power is only modest 120 W and reception poor to fair. Really nice surprise in my headphones. My receiver is AOR 7030+ and antenna indoor ALA 1530P-loop. 73 de (Jouko Huuskonen, Turku/Åbo Suomi-Finland, Sept 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWITZERLAND. Hi SRI, PLEASE, PLEASE! check your English on-demand audio. The clock that controls it is off by five minutes and it has been for weeks. You are Swiss; you can at least present a complete program! (Larry Nebron, CA, Sept 25, cc to DXLD) And keep time

** SYRIA [non]. CLANDESTINE from CIS to SYRIA, 12120, Arab Radio, 1500 Sept 24 with ID in Arabic by woman via a Javaradio in Europe. Much, much weaker on // 12085. Music followed. Slogans and IDs by same woman at 1527 and 1530* (Hans Johnson, WY, Cumbredx mailing list via DXLD)

** TAIWAN. New high-power MW frequencies:

1359 kHz carrying Family Radio programmes in Filipino language(s), Indonesian and Vietnamese (and maybe other languages) 1000-, also heard around 2200 in Filipino.

1503 kHz carrying CBS in Mandarin, 1000-1400 (Alan Davies, Bali, Sept 24, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** UGANDA [non]. Hello Glenn: Apropos 3-170 and the reference to Uganda, the web site of Radio Rhino International - Africa is: <http://www.radiorhino.org/> Greetings, (Dennis W. Frado, New York, NY, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KAMPALA --- DP'S SEMOGERERE SPOKE TOO
The Monitor (Kampala) September 26, 2003

Former President Milton Obote spoke on Tuesday night at the launch of a short wave radio by exiled Ugandans living in Germany. Mr Obote was hosted for an hour by Mr Godfrey Ayoo, the Director of Radio Rhino International Africa (RRIA).

Obote made a 30-minute speech, which marked the official launch of the radio based in the Germany capital, Berlin. His speech was still being relayed on Wednesday. The radio broadcasts on 17.555 short wave frequency.

Obote, the President of the Uganda People's Congress (UPC) and twice deposed by the army, has been living in exile in Zambia since 1985. In his speech, Obote as usual, took a swipe at President Yoweri Museveni's regime. He said the regime has committed several human rights violations.

The veteran politician also criticised the way Museveni is handling the Joseph Kony insurgency in northern Uganda. He said "Operation Iron Fist" is a total failure. Obote alleged that thousands of people have been massacred in the name of executing the operation.

He said RRIA would help UPC expose the sins of Museveni's government.

The station also hosted Democratic Party President, Dr Paul Kawanga Ssemogerere on Wednesday evening. Ssemogerere criticised Cabinet's proposal to have the presidential term limit removed. The proposals

were presented to the Constitutional Review Commission on Tuesday.

Ayoo, a Ugandan political activist who has lived in exile since 1986, said the radio, would give an alternative view on the politics in Uganda.

RRIA broadcasts in English from 6-6:30 p.m. on weekdays and from 6 a.m. [sic] to 7 p.m. on weekends. The station's signal is received in east, central and parts of South Africa.

The debates can be accessed on RRIA's website,
<http://allafrica.com/stories/www.radiorhino.org>

<http://allafrica.com/stories/200309260062.html> (via Mike Terry, DXLD)

** U S S R. Soviet jammers: There is a nice page at
<http://www.okupatsioon.ee/english/mailbox/radio/radio.html>
(Julian Hardstone, Sept 24, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** U S S R [and non]. Technical Discussion : USSR (Russian) SW transmitters never sold to West ...

From what I can gather, high power SW transmitters in the USSR were all based on 'Class B' (push-pull) amplification schemes. Class B amplifiers (for AM modulation) max out at around 60% efficiency. Most 100 kW transmitters in the west (due to the 1970s energy crisis) long moved over to PDM, PSM or a combination of the two schemes used by Thales.

The transmitter size was never an issue either -- the transmitters seem to be about 2 or 3 times the cubic volume of their western equivalents.

Most of the transmitters lacked anything like the fully programmable automation that became a standard feature in the 1980s. RNZI and several SW relay sites are unstaffed or minimally staffed due to transmitter automation.

The USSR pioneered the use of HRS 8 / 8 / 1 curtain arrays, where the west seems to have settled on HRS 6 / 4 / 1 (HRS 12 / 4 / 1 is used by VOA) and HRS 8 / 4 / 1 for directive broadcasting.

Yet, I do not expect the Russian SW transmitters to ever be sold in the west.

China may innovate here -- myself I have been expecting the Chinese to unveil a HRS 6 / 4 / 1 ALLISS like shortwave transmitter system that is 500 kW capable. I expect the design to be tubeless, period.

The west has begun to ditch tube base transmitters on MW and LW (and FM too). The module based amplifier system is not hard to design, and only slightly bulkier (in cubic volume) than tube transmitters. There are enough Chinese EEs to devise such a transmitter system.

China does actually need such a transmitter system like ALLISS, as it can aid in jamming. ('mhev' == ``Max Power``, WA, Sept 25, ripple via DXLD)

You may be wondering why USSR, in its rare historical appearances nowadays, is alphabetized before UAE, UK and USA --- because the first word is actually UNION (gh)

** UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Looks like there is some hope for 13m this fall! Acid test is the 1330 English broadcast from Dubai on 21605, which I have not heard for some six months. But on Sept 29 it was audible, if weak, and squeezed between Sa`udi Arabia 21600, and Spain on 21610. At least Dubai is back on 21605.0 rather than 21598 or 21605+. There were a couple of transmitter trip-offs during the period, fortunately only brief ones. News is still a token 4 minutes, including weather. Current feature following is about ibn-Saladin (?) and XIV-century Spain and North Africa; 1348 back to music and Arabic (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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